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report on the Let aircraft factory in
Kunovice (N 49-03, E 17-28) which allegedly produces Aero-145 transport planes,
parts for S-103 and S-102 B jet fighter planes, and military training planes. A
sketch shows the location and layout of the factory and the airport to the east
of it.

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SUBJECT: CZECHOSLOVAKIA - "LET" factory in Kunovice, and Kunovice
airport.

Exact name of establishment: "LET" - Uherske Hradiste -
Kunovice.

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Original name: Zavod "Avia" - Kunovice.

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Location:

"LET" is located on the west side of the State road leading from UHERSKE HRADISTE to UHERSKE OSTROH, and is 2.2 kilometers southwest of Kunovice's railroad station. It is south of the OISAVA river, and the Uherske Hradiste-Veseli Na Morave rail section and Uherske Hradiste-Uhersky Ostroh road form its boundary to the east. The factory compound measures 280 X 200 meters and is enclosed by a wall 2.8 meters high.

Description:

Building I - two-story, masonry, 50 X 25 meters. For the production of airplane engines; ^{es}and including the laboratories of the military institute of air research;

Building II - two-story, masonry, 50 X 25 meters. For engine assembly and production of spare parts;

Building III - two-story, masonry. The raw material, depot and the auxiliary material, depot are on the first floor. The ^{management} staff and administrative offices are on the second floor;

Building IV - two-story, in the form of a shed, 30 X 60 meters. For stamping fuselages and airplane supporting surfaces, construction of cockpits, etc.;

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Building V - new two-story shed, 30 X 100 meters. For the assembly of airplanes;

Building VI - new two-story shed, 30 X 80 meters. For the production of jet engine parts;

VA, VB - ^{entrances} ~~gates~~ to the airport;

S - guard and gatehouse of the establishment, masonry, 8 X 3 meters.

Factory management:

Factory director: Vaclav HAVRANECK

Chief engineer: Engineer Ladislav SMRCEK

Chief of military aviation research institute branch: Engineer Major BUBILEK.

Production:

- 1) AERO-145 transport planes, twin engines of 160-horsepower each, average speed of 275 kilometers per hour, fuel consumption of 25 liters per 100 kilometers, equipped with automatic pilot;
- 2) parts for S-103 and S-102 B jet fighter planes;
- 3) military training planes.

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Located east of the "LET" factory, in an area which borders on the OLSAVA river in the north, the "LET" factory and the Uherske Hradiste-Uhersky Ostroh state border in the east, the new drainage canal and the forest in the west, and the outskirts of the municipality of Ostrozská Nova Ves in the south.

The airport measures 2,200 X 1,400 meters. It has three takeoff runways:

- a) one of 1,900 meters;
- b) one of 2,000 meters;
- c) one of 1,300 meters.

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as follows:
It has landing fields ~~XXXX~~

a) one ~~150~~ 150 X 400 meters;

b) one ~~1,500~~ 1,500 X 60 meters.

Hangars: there are four built of ~~brick~~ ^{steel, with} brick walls; each 120 X 65 meters, shaped like a shed with corrugated sheet iron roof..

Fueling station: one -- located at the southwest angle of the airport. It has 6 pumps and 6 underground gasoline tanks.

Legend of airport and "LET" factory sketch:

I, II, III, IV, V, VI - buildings of the "LET" factory

VA, VB - ^{entrances} ~~gates~~ to airport

S - gatehouse of "LET" factory

15, 16, 17, 18 - hangars

19 - headquarters

A - fueling station

B 1, B 2 - concrete landing fields

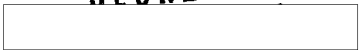
C, D, E - takeoff runways

F - stream ⁱⁿ on the airport's area, concrete pipes

J - new asphalt road

K - drainage canal

[Sketch of area attached to original.]



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